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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : John O'Connor et al.  
Serial No. : 09/630,215                      Examiner: Gailene Gabel  
Filed : August 1, 2000                      Group Art Unit: 1641  
For : METHODS FOR PREDICTING PREGNANCY OUTCOME IN A  
SUBJECT BY hCG ASSAY

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM  
THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO THE  
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the Final Office Action mailed November 17, 2004 finally rejecting pending claims 58-67 in connection with the above-identified application.

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Applicants are concurrently filing an Amendment in Response to November 17, 2004 Final Office Action and Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, the subject application is pending on May 17, 2005. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), and a check for this amount is enclosed.

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